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Paris July 3. 1795.

Dear Sir

Having written you very fully three days since I have nothing to add at present to the details then given except that in an unexpected rencounter the other day the French have lost 3 ships & by the shameful misconduct of the officers commanding them or some of them. They have in consequence dismissed the comy. Of Marine which I think converts the loss of the ships into a signal victory, in such regard do I estimate his merits.

By Mr. De Rieux I hear that poor Gilmer declines & that Bell has been sick, that Mrs. Markes is dead-that Miss Gilmer is about to be married-that Wardlow and Robt. Jouett are. This short note from Goochland which opens the interior of a place extremely dear to me contains every thing that I have heard from that quarter since my arrival here. Be so kind as forward the enclosed to him and assure my neighbours I have not forgotten them, altho' they may have

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forgotten me. If there any thing here you wish me to procure for you, I beg you to give me a note of it if there is. Our best respects to Mr. & Mrs. R & both yrs. & his families. Very sincerely I am yr. affectionate friend & servt. Jas. Monroe

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